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1. Before leaving for Prague in August 1948, Le Hi, former director of the Viet Nam News Service in Bangkok, wrote a long report (at least 15 pages) giving his personal opinion on the Viet Nam Delegation in Bangkok, the relations of the Viet Nam News Service and the Viet Nam Delegation, and the Vietnamese Mutual Assistance Association. Le Hi's report showed his great dissatisfaction with the Viet Nam Delegation in Bangkok and the other Vietnamese associations. He criticized the type of can-bos in Thailand and the ineffectiveness of their work. He also criticized Nguyen Duc Way, head of the Viet Nam Delegation.
2. The report was carried by a courier from Thailand to Tonkin and routed to the Viet Minh Tong Bo in care of a member of the newspaper Su That, official publication of the "Group for Marxist Studies".\*
3. In commenting on Le Hi's action, Xon, chief of the Viet Minh in Bangkok, remarked: (a) that Le Hi is a member of the Indochinese Communist Party; (b) that he is intransigent and often undisciplined; (c) that he considerably irritated his superiors in Thailand by making a report directly to the Viet Minh Tong Bo in Tonkin without sending it through the regular couriers of the party in Thailand; (d) that he was remiss in his duty in making a report on the Viet Nam Delegation and other associations since he had only the right to report on the Viet Nam News Service. In addition his report on the Viet Nam News Service would ordinarily have been sent to the Ministry of the Interior, Department of Propaganda. If Le Hi wished to make a report to the Viet Minh Tong Bo, it should have been passed through the Tong Bo in Thailand and not sent directly to Tonkin. In further comment on Le Hi, Xon added that "Le Hi is a little Tran Van Giau; like him he is without discipline and vain, perhaps more intransigent and obstinate because he is 'littler'."

\* Comment. The newspaper Su That, official organ of the Indochinese

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Communist Party and published by the "Group for Marxist Studies", is directed by members of the Viet Minh Tong Bo itself. The fact that Le Hi has friends in this group indicates that Le Hi is more Communist than has previously been believed. Up to now it was believed that Le Hi was a member of the Socialist Party and that his tendency toward Communism was due more to the fact that he was an opportunist than that he was a convinced Communist. It now appears that he is a Communist.

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